



GENERAL INFORMATION

Congratulations on receiving a tag for the Tinemaha Tule Elk Hunt. This letter contains information regarding the mandatory hunter orientation which you must attend in order to legally hunt tule elk.

HUNTER ORIENTATION

Hunter orientation will be held on Friday evening prior to the opening weekend of Period 1. The orientation for Period 1 hunters will be held Friday, October 31, 2003. The orientation will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Big Pine Legion Hall, #1 Dewey Street in Big Pine, California.

Topics to be discussed at the orientation will include access to hunting areas, care of your game, and hunting regulations. Instructions will be provided regarding check station requirements.

REGULATIONS

All successful tule elk hunters are required to have their tags validated. To have your elk tag validated Monday through Friday, please contact the Department's Bishop office at (760) 872-1171 or any person listed in Section 708 of the California Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers. Please remember that unsuccessful hunters must return tag report cards to the Department within one week after the close of the elk season regardless of whether an elk was taken.

If you need information as you plan for your hunt, please contact Mr. Jon Fischer, Elk Program Coordinator, at 1812 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814, (916) 445-3684, or the Bishop area biologist, at (760) 872-1171. Persons receiving bull tags are especially encouraged to call one of the Department's contacts prior to the hunt.

The Department is collecting teeth from animals taken by hunters for age analysis. Successful hunters should follow directions on the tooth envelope (included with this flyer) to remove the two front teeth and submit them to the Department. The Department will send results to hunters that submit teeth for age analysis.

Thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to seeing you at the orientation. Good luck!